

Education Minnesota Voter Information: House District 35A

Dear educator,

Those elected this November will make decisions that directly impact your students, pocketbook, profession and union. Because of this, we wanted to provide some information on where the candidates for Minnesota House in your district stand on the issues educators have said they care about the most.

A candidate's position is sometimes more complicated than a "yes" or "no" answer. We have done our best to represent each candidate in a fair and reasonable way. Unless noted otherwise, the statements were taken from Education Minnesota's candidate questionnaire.

For educators seeking more specific information on their local candidate's positions on Education Minnesota's top priorities of pay, pensions and health care, the questionnaires are available at www.edmnvotes.org.

Fully funded schools require adequate and stable revenues. Will you oppose tax cuts and carve-outs that lower tax collections or narrow the tax base?	
Zach Stephenson Yes	Josh Jungling "Minnesota had a historic \$17.6 billion surplus. The Democrat controlled government not only spent that in its entirety, but also raised taxes that cut into Minnesota families' hard earned money during a time of major inflation. I will work for lower taxes and more responsible state spending." <small>¹ joshjungling.com/issues, 8/2/24.</small>
How will you support unions as a state legislator?	
Zach Stephenson "I am a union member (AFSCME Local 2938) and my wife is as well (Anoka Hennepin Education Minnesota). I believe unions are key to protecting working families. I will support policies that make it easier to form a union, as well as empowering existing unions to represent their members."	Josh Jungling A review of the candidate's campaign website, social media, and public statements found no evidence of Josh Jungling taking a position on this issue.
What will you do to help recruit and retain high-quality educators in our classrooms?	
Zach Stephenson "1) Increase wages 2) Improve pension benefits 3) Improve working conditions by shrinking class sizes"	Josh Jungling A review of the candidate's campaign website, social media, and public statements found no evidence of Josh Jungling taking a position on this issue.